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HONGKONG.

MARK'S COSTLY FALL.

HUGE GERMAN BUDGET HOLE.

OCCUPATION EXPENSES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

BERLIN, April 24.

As a result of the great depreciation in the mark, the 1923 budget for the execution of the peace treaty must be entirely re-drafted and the amounts to be paid in foreign currency calculated on the basis of one dollar to 20,000 marks.

The ordinary budget expenditure has risen from 84.5 milliards to 1.4 million millions; and the expenditure from 121.9 to 808.7 milliards of marks.

The total expenditure of 2.2 million millions marks does not include reparations payments which have not yet been estimated for 1923. For example for the Inter-Allied Rhineland Commission 38 milliard marks must be added, and for the maintenance of the occupation troops, etc. 228.3 milliard marks.

The estimate for buildings for occupying troops has been raised from 10.3 to 308.4 milliard marks whilst the accommodation of the Inter-Allied Control Commission now costs 4.4 milliard instead of 147 million marks.

SOCIALISTS URGE OVERTURES.

BERLIN, April 24.

The former Chancellor, Herr von Mueller, one of the Socialist leaders, in a speech at a Socialist meeting, emphasised the necessity of offering a definite sum in connection with the new German proposal to the Entente. He suggested 31 milliard gold marks, of which 26 milliard should be for France and between 4 and 5 milliards for Belgium.

As regards the question of security Herr von Mueller suggested a peace pact between all the states belonging to the Rhine Shipping Commission, and the German Government should undertake not to declare war against any power for at least a generation or a century. Herr von Mueller declared that the German Socialists had agreed with the Socialists of Allied countries regarding this matter. The German Socialists were ready to support the Cune Government if it did what was necessary and were ready to take the consequences if the Government refused to do so.

WORLD AMITY.

INTERNATIONAL COURT VINDICATED.

HARDING'S DEFENCE.

NEW YORK, April 24.

President Harding, in a speech at the annual luncheon given by the Associated Press of America, defended the decision of the United States to participate in the court of international justice as in harmony with platform pledges, cataractorial promises, and American aspirations. He denied that it would be entry into the League of Nations. The Administration had definitely put aside all thought of entering the League.

Referring to the argument that the United States would be placed at a disadvantage in the election of judges for the court through the disparity of national voting power in the League Assembly, Mr. Harding said that if the other great powers could accept without fear of the voting strength of the British Dominions, Americans ought, in view of their English-speaking kinship, to feel themselves free from danger. He commended the court as a great step towards the peaceful settlement of justiciable questions.

BOXER INDEMNITY SCHEMES.

CHINESE MUST BE CONSULTED.

LONDON, April 24.

Dr. Hart, principal of the Anglo-Chinese College at Tientsin, addressing the China Society, said the allocation of the British portion of the Boxer Indemnity afforded a unique opportunity for giving assistance which would bind Britain and China in real friendship and benefit the whole world. The Chinese however, must be consulted before the final form which such assistance should take was settled, and they should be represented in all educational schemes.

BRITAIN'S OIL BORINGS.

LONDON, April 24.

In the House of Commons, in answer to questions, Mr. Lane Fox, Under Secretary for Mines, said only two out of the eleven State borings in the United Kingdom, was oil found in any appreciable quantities. Both these wells had now been disposed of.

MACAO NOT BEING SOLD.

LISBON, April 24.

The rumour relative to the sale of Macao to Germany is denied.

TIKHON'S TRIAL.

HONGKONG, April 23.

The trial of the Patriarch Tikhon has been postponed.

MARKS DOWN AGAIN.

LONDON, April 24.

Marks have relapsed to £40,000. £44,000.

PRE-WAR CHINA DEBTS.

GERMAN AND BRITISH NATIONALS.

AGREEMENT CONCLUDED.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

BERLIN, April 24.

An agreement concluded between the British and German Governments provides for certain pre-war debts by German nationals to British nationals being recognised by a competent court which shall be covered from the proceeds in the hands of the British custodian of enemy property in China resulting from the liquidation of German property. These debts are:—(1) Debts of German residents in China or the branches of German business houses in China at the time the debt was contracted to British subjects, no matter where the latter were resident;—(2) Debts of German nationals, no matter where resident, to British subjects or branches of British business houses resident or existing in China at the time the debt was contracted. Debts under Article 296 of the Versailles Treaty are excluded.

MATTER OF URGENCY.

RECENT FIJI INCIDENT.

LONDON, April 24.

In the House of Commons, Capt. R. Berkely (Conservative), with regard to the Fiji incident asked for an assurance that future unconstitutional acts of this kind would not be taken, and that before pledges were given individuals of the legislature of the Colony would be consulted.

Mr. W. G. A. Gore, Under-Secretary for Colonies, explained that it was clearly a matter of urgency. If an emergency arose in the future, the adoption of emergency measures might be necessary, but naturally constitutional procedure would be followed on all possible occasions.

[A Suva (Fiji) cable dated April 13 stated: A legislative deadlock has arisen owing to the Imperial Government's promise to refund £58,000 export duties to the Colonial Sugar Refining Company without consulting the Fiji legislative authorities. The elected members of the Council have refused to sit until the Duke of Devonshire has undertaken that there will be no repetition of the Imperial Government's "unconstitutional action." The Company has since agreed to forego the refund, has promised a bonus on cane sugar of 42 pence per ton, and has agreed to increase wages by three pence a day, providing the export duties are removed.]

CASH BASIS ONLY.

TRADE WITH RUSSIA.

LONDON, April 24.

In the House of Commons, in answer to questions, Sir Philip Lloyd-Greame, of the Board of Trade, stated that £4,966,000 worth of goods had been imported from Russia and £1,338,000 exported to Russia during the quarter ended December 31, 1922.

Asked whether the figures could not have been increased if there had been better Anglo-Russian relations, Sir Philip Lloyd-Greame said that as long as the Russian Government refused to establish conditions in which credit could be given, trade could only be done on a cash basis.

MISS ELLIS SAFE AND WELL.

BORDER CAPTIVE'S RETURN.

LONDON, April 24.

The India Office announces that the Chief Commissioner of the North West Frontier Province met Miss Ellis and Mrs. Starr near the Orakzai border.

All are well and the whole party is expected at Peshawar to-day.

[Miss Ellis, 15 years old, was kidnapped by Afridi raiders who murdered her mother, wife of the district staff officer. Mrs. Starr, a doctor, went to Miss Ellis' aid.]

RUSSIA'S OIL EXPORT.

SHELL GROUP'S COUP.

LONDON, April 24.

The Agence Economique et Financiere reports that the Royal Dutch Shell Group has purchased 50,000 tons of oil from the Russian soviets and has offered to allow its colleagues in the international consortium to participate in the deal which assures the Shell Company a monopoly in the export of Russian oil for over a year.

BANQUE INDUSTRIELLE AFFAIR.

PROCEEDINGS AGAINST MANAGEMENT.

PARIS, April 24.

It is reported that it has definitely been decided to commence legal proceedings against ten persons formerly concerned in the management of the Banque Industrielle de Chine.

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THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,
on

FRIDAY, April 27, 1923,
commencing at 2.30 p.m.

at their Sales Rooms, Duddell Street,
A Quantity of
Valuable Household Furniture,
Also

One Alarm Watch

Three Stop Watches
And

Several Nickel Watches
On View Thursday the 26th April
1923

Catalogues will be issued.

Terms:—Cash on delivery.

LAMMERT BROS.,
Auctioneers
Hongkong, April 24, 1923.

FRIDAY, April 27, 1923,
commencing at 5.15 p.m.

at their Sales Rooms, Duddell Street,
A Valuable Collection of Stamps
(full particulars from catalogue)

On view from Thursday the 26th

April, 1923.

Terms:—Cash on delivery.

LAMMERT BROS.,
Auctioneers
Hongkong, April 24, 1923.

MONDAY, April 30, 1923,
at 12 o'clock (noon),

at their Sales Rooms, Duddell Street,
The Wreck of the
a.s. "Nichiron Maru"
as she now lies stranded at Lon 110°
42' 50" E Lat 20° 10' 30" N together
with whatever cargo of coal as may be
in the vessel at the time.

Terms:—Cash on full of hammer,
whether vessel, &c. will be at the pur-
chaser's risk.

LAMMERT BROS.,
Auctioneers
Hongkong, April 2, 1923.

THE Undersigned have received in-
structions from E. Howard, Esq.,
to sell by Public Auction

MONDAY, April 30, 1923,
commencing at 2.45 p.m.

at his residence No. 20 Chamberlain
Road, Peak

A Large Quantity of
Valuable Household Furniture,
Comprising:

Teak batstool, Drawing Room Suite
(Chesterfield couch and chairs) teak
tapestry chairs, music cabinet, teak
round table, teak screen, glass silver
cabinet, brass fender and fire sets, large
overmantel, carpets, rug, brass ornaments,
water colours, pictures, engravings,
marble clock, etc., etc.

Teak single and double bedsteads,
teak single and double wardrobes with
glass doors, dressing table, wash stand
with marble top, chest of drawers, glass
ware, dinner sets, E. P. cutlery, lace
curtains, ceiling lights, electricians,
electric fittings, cooking stove, cooking
stoves, etc., etc.

Several pieces of carved blackwood
ware, American ice chest and patent
filters.

One Cabinet Victrola
One lot of records
One piano by F. Dorner & Son
Stuttgart

Several enamel baths and porcelain
basins

A Quantity of Plants and ferns in
pots

On View from Sunday the 29th
April, 1923

Catalogues will be issued.

Terms:—Cash on delivery.

LAMMERT BROS.,
Auctioneers
Hongkong, April 20, 1923.

The sale of Mint Machinery
has been postponed until a date
to be notified later.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS
OF SALE
OF
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD
PROPERTY
registered as

INLAND Lot No. 1759 Together with
the messuage thereon known as
No. 13A Macdonnell Road to be sold
by order of the Vendor by
PUBLIC AUCTION

on
THURSDAY
the 3rd day of May, 1923, at 3 p.m.

by
Messrs. LAMMERT BROTHERS
at their Office, Duddell Street.

The property consists of:

All that piece or parcel of ground
situate at Victoria in the Colony
of Hongkong and registered in the Land
Office as Inland Lot No. 1759 together
with the messuage erections and buildings
thereon known as No. 13A
Macdonnell Road, held for the residue
of the term of 70 years from the 25th
March 1901 renewable for a further
term of 70 years created by the Crown
Lease thereof.

Area: 6850' sq. ft. or thereabouts
Crown Rent: \$40.00.

Particulars and conditions may be
had from

Messrs. LO and LO,
Alexandra Building,
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Messrs. LAMMERT BROTHERS,
Auctioneers
Hongkong, April 14, 1923.

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1,000 do. 10.00
1,500 do. 18.00
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2,500 do. 40.00
3,000 do. 50.00
4,000 do. 75.00
5,000 do. 100.00
10,000 do. 200.00

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INTIMATIONS.

THE HONGKONG HIDE & LEATHER CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIRST ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING will be held at the Company's Office, 67/69, Des Voeux Road Central, on MONDAY, 30th April, 1923, at 12 Noon, for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors and Auditors together with a Statement of Account to 31st December, 1922, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 23rd to the 30th April, 1923, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
E. PEPPEREL,
Acting Secretary
Hongkong, April 16, 1923.

HONGKONG CENTRAL ESTATE LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a GENERAL MEETING of the Debenture Holders of the above named Company constituted by Trust Deed dated the 30th day of May 1914, and registered in the Land Office by Memorial No. 55358 and made between the said Company of the one part and The Honourable Mr. David Laudale and Newton John Stubb (now Sir Newton John Stubb Kt.) as Trustees of the other part supplemented by an Indenture of Assignment made between the same parties and dated the 1st day of November 1916 and registered in the Land Office by Memorial No. 61189 (both of which are herinafter included in the expression "the said Debenture Trust Deed") will be held at the office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong on WEDNESDAY the 2nd day of May 1923 at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing an Extraordinary Resolution or Extraordinary Resolutions assenting to certain proposed modifications of the rights of the Debenture Holders against the Company and authorising the Trustees to execute or concur in the execution of all such Agreements, Assignments, Deeds or other documents as they may deem or be advised to be expedient for carrying out such proposed modifications and for safe guarding the interests of the Debenture Holders.

This Notice is issued pursuant to the provisions contained in the Third Schedule to the Debenture Trust Deed.

Dated this 20th day of April 1923.
By Order of the Board,
L. S. GREENHILL,
Secretary to the General Managers.

LANE, CRAWFORD, LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIRST ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL on SATURDAY, 5th May, at Noon.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from 25th April, 1923, to 5th May 1923, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
S. J. JORDAIN,
Secretary,
Hongkong, April 23, 1923.

THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE SECOND GYMKHANA MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley, on SATURDAY, May 6th, commencing 3.15 p.m.

The Charge for admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform half price.

Members are advised that they must show their Badges to obtain admission to the Members' Enclosure.

Each member has the right of introducing 2 non-members to the members' enclosure, tickets for whom can be obtained from Messrs. Linstant & Davis at \$5. each up to FRIDAY 4th May.

The Stewards invite the Ladies of Hongkong to be present.

Hongkong, April 24, 1923.

THE CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTY-SECOND ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on THURSDAY, the 10th May, 1923, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1922.

The SHARE REGISTER AND TRANSFER BOOKS will be closed from the 26th instant to the 10th May, 1923, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.
General Agents
Hongkong, May 10, 1923.

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INTIMATIONS.

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Hongkong, April 19, 1923.

PEAK TRAMWAY CO., LTD.

TIME TABLE

WEEK DAYS.
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DEATHS.

AUCOTT.—At Victoria B.C. on the 17th April, Ernest James John, aged 11 years, the elder son of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Aucott.

REMEDIOS.—On April 24 at No. 6, Humphreys Avenue, Kowloon, SARA AUGUSTA, the beloved daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vasco L. dos Remedios, aged 25 years. (Shanghai, Manila, Macao and Japan papers please copy.)

The China Mail.

"TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE"

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25, 1923.

WHEELS WITHIN WHEELS.

Trivial things like voice, mannerism and dress have been known to decide the fate of men being tried for their lives. Jury men have even been known to discount evidence because the witness had been seen reading a certain sporting journal in court, and they would not (they have later avowed) "believe a man on his oath who read a paper like that!" But remarkable though these examples of psychology are they find equally amazing parallels in the factors which often decide the fate of nations, of civilisations even. France has just provided a notable instance in the Ruhr invasion. With the country's huge budget deficit growing ever greater, her politicians found themselves in a truly awkward dilemma. Either they must secure the reparations money or they must increase taxation. The first course meant untold perils but the second promised certain defeat when the next election came round. Therefore, they invaded Germany. And the history of Europe took a new turn. Thus the French peasant, concerned only with his own pocket, decided the fate of a whole world. Likewise, the American Middle West farmer, dominating Congress, retarded economic recovery by holding Bri-

tain to her huge debt and forcing her, in turn, to press other nations labouring under the war's terrible burdens. Similar examples are legion. They are found in every country. The voter, seeing usually only his own selfish interest, sways the politician and the politician, fearing for his seat, follows dictates which have untold consequences. With every nation being ruled largely this same way you have modern diplomacy—slow, unwieldy, futile. But the voter, with his quite-human impulses, is not wholly to blame. Politicians intrigue among themselves and play with a nation's fate, a world's destiny, for their own selfish ends. Study Cabinet history during the past twenty years and you will speedily learn that. The specific case which has prompted these remarks is mentioned among to-day's later cables. President Harding is found defending America's decision to participate in the Court of International Justice. Any detached observer would think this action, eminently sensible, required little defence. But then he would forget politics. Anxious to discredit Mr. Harding's prospects in the coming election, political opponents have been quick to insinuate that the decision means entry into the League, the unloved League which, as a political issue, has already cost one able President his seat. But the League apart, responsible American journals state that the Senate leaders opposing America's entry into the World Court are all nursing presidential ambitions of their own. And they realise that should he achieve success with this issue, Mr. Harding would materially enhance his prospects for renomination and re-election. Thus, once more, are the great causes of humanity made the playthings of scheming politicians.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Four cases of small-pox and one of cerebro-spinal fever were notified yesterday. All the patients were Chinese.

Lt. H. J. Mortimer of the Hongkong and Singapore Bn. R.G.A. has been granted leave from 26th October on private affairs.

Command orders state that the official rate of the dollar for all payments fixed in sterling, which have to be made in Hongkong and on the China Station during the month of May, will be 2s. 3d.

The Cheung Chau Government school is to hold its first annual sports meeting on the Football Ground at Cheung Chau next Saturday at 12.30 p.m. Mrs. Alabaster will present the prizes at 4.30.

First-class caterers are required for service on the local trains of the Kowloon-Canton Railway (British Section) and for the refreshment rooms at Kowloon. Details will be found in the advertisement columns.

Much regret is felt by lawyers practising in the Mixed Court, Shanghai, at the retirement from the bench on the 18th inst. of Mr. A. D. Blackburn, Senior British Assessor, who is shortly going on furlough prior to promotion to a Consular post in the interior. As British Assessor, the retiring Assessor has been made the recipient of a number of tokens of regard by the Court staff and others.

For stealing an overcoat belonging to Mr. Joseph and a belt the property of Mr. M. Ellis, who resides at a new house in Caine Road, a Chinese was sentenced to three months' hard labour by Mr. J. R. Wood at the Magistracy this morning. According to Sub-Inspector R. Lanigan of No. 7 Station, defendant is believed to have climbed up a bamboo pole to the verandah from which he entered the house.

Regarding the matter of additional accommodation at the Children's Playground, at Kowloon, to which reference was made in the summary of recent activities of the Kowloon Residents' Association published yesterday, Mr. T. A. Martin, the hon. secretary, states that the Government has now intimated its intention to erect a temporary matchshed in order to afford the children additional shade during the summer months.

The Sanitary Board met yesterday afternoon when letters were received from the Colonial Secretary, notifying the appointment of Lieut.-Col. F. G. Fitzgerald, D.S.O., R.A.M.C., to a place on the Board and the re-election of Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., C.B.E. On the proposition of Mr. G. R. Sayer, the President, Dr. Koch and Mr. S. W. Tso were selected to consider and report upon the Sanitary Department's proposals regarding the Estimates.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Professor Charles A. Beard, an American authority on civic problems, was an interested spectator at the Shanghai Mixed Court last week.

According to a Daily Bulletin telegram, Prince Aimone di Savoia is seriously suffering from double pneumonia in the Shanghai General Hospital.

Mr. Sidney Barton, C.M.G., H.M. Consul-General, is to perform the opening ceremony of the new premises of the Chartered Bank next Saturday in Shanghai.

Mr. Somerset Maugham, the well known playwright, who has been staying in Peking for some time, recently left for Japan travelling through Korea on his way to England via America.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain has been appointed Minister of Health in succession to Sir Arthur Boscawen, and Sir William Joynson-Hicks succeeds Mr. Chamberlain as Postmaster-General.

The King held the first Levee of the season in mail week at St. James's Palace. As is usual on the occasion of the first levee of the year, the attendance was almost entirely diplomatic, naval and military.

At the request of Queen Alexandra, the Marchioness Curzon of Kedleston has undertaken to organise a ball at Lansdowne House in aid of Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute for Nurses. The ball takes place on April 26.

Home papers announce the death, in his 66th year, of the Earl of Plymouth, who will be more particularly remembered by Londoners for his successful efforts to save the Crystal Palace, and its grounds from the hands of the suburban builder.

ELSEWHERE.

(TOM WRIGHT STUFF.)

When I was a boy I could not understand why Eugene Sue made his wandering Jew unhappy. It seemed to me a fine life, and rather an advantage than otherwise, that he need not die in some foreign hospital. He got lots of scenery, and wasn't bothered with passports. Now that age is putting its chop on me, I begin to savvy. Looking back I seem to discover that I have rarely got the full flavour of any place I have been in, because I have always, in every place had a part of my mind scouting ahead to that ungeographic locality that bears the name of Elsewhere. I am always going there, and never arriving. Did I stop to taste the famous ale in the Black Horse at Steyning in Sussex, or walk over Lavant near Goodwood from Chichester to the Horse and Groom in Singleton, was my mind on Midhurst to which I should in a few hours come? No, it was in Africa, thinking that though the roads might be worse in Rhodesia, the shooting would be better. In the Spread Eagle at Midhurst, an old Carolean inn you ought to visit some day, an inn which I now in mid Pacific, am thinking of as Elsewhere and to be aimed for again or ever many moons have waned, I would fall to thinking of Australia, and how pleasant it must be to be a sunbather. When anon I was a sunbather, lumping my swag in my "bluey" like the best of them, I spent long moments thinking about the isles of the Pacific, and the taste of Polynesia got mixed, I remember, with the flavours of Hongkong, not because Hongkong (as I thought at the time) but because it was Elsewhere. So here I lately began to think of Paris, but the recent political eccentricities of the French having put both Paris and Tahiti out of the Elsewhere likelihoods. I am thinking of Canada. I met a Canadian on a seat in a local park and talked with him long about his country. As is the way of Canadians, he praised it. I told him about the inns at Home, and particularly that of the rustic who asked the landlord of a Sussex inn what the "stop press" bare space in the paper from Lunnon was for. "For in case some portant news come late, I be told" said mine host of the inn, looking benignantly upon his flock of faithfuls. "Nay," said Jarge, "I don't believe that's the reason." "Well then, Jarge," said Boniface, winking at the others, "what do you suppose it be for?" "Oi do think it be lefts bare for they pore souls as haven't been learned for to read," said Jarge.

When I overbear little things like that, the burden of Elsewhere is not so heavy upon me. My Canadian told me, sitting on this seat in a Honolulu park, a story of a professor of thought-reading who conducted a class in that "science." One of his most promising pupils was a young lady in whom, as was not unnatural, a young gentleman took a certain interest. She persuaded the young man to join the class, and sat beside him at the audience. One afternoon, without a word spoken, she turned on the young man and violently boxed his ears.

Naturally, I went again to meet that Canadian, but found another man occupying the seat. He was a little plump man with blue eyes and a happy expression. I asked him if he minded sharing the seat, and his reply showed me that he was a Londoner. We talked, and I learned that he originated in East Ham. Some man had heartlessly advised him that this was a good place to come to look for work. He operates lifts, acts as janitor, and so on. He had not found a job, and was reconciled to going back to Vancouver. He "airied" me when speaking. There are three ways of saying "sir." There is Dr. Johnson's way, which is rhetorical merely, and for emphasis. There is the southern American way, which is a cliché, and carries no respect; and there is the English way, which does. My happy little man who failed to find a job had been an atheist since 17, and quoted Bradlaugh, Ingensoll, Shelley, and others with a remarkable fluency. He called my attention to the beautiful colour of the foliage about us, and the wonderful light effects. One of his remarks was (and I loved him for it):

"Why should I respect Mrs. Grundy? I am not related to her. She is not a member of our royal family. I believe in adaptation: Same as Darwin talks about. Great man, Darwin. In a climate like this I don't eat three meat meals a day, for instance. Don't need 'em. Mrs. Grundy makes men eat what isn't good for them in places like this. I detect her. Take socks, for example. What do we wear socks for? To keep our feet warm. But in this climate we cannot but have warm feet. It was more to keep them from chafing.

He was that rare thing, a generous, controversialist. He said promptly, "Now I think of it, you are probably right there, sir. As a matter of fact, there is some skin of my toes now."

Not to be outdone in generosity, I said I had read that in the Foreign Legion of the French army socks were not issued, and not worn, even on long marches, so that perhaps it was possible to learn to do without them. Personally, if it were only Mrs. Grundy who was concerned, I would not wear them as now, that I had no female to darn for me they were my chief problem. I wore them until they were dismally wrinkled and then bought new ones. I had tried to go without, but my feet got sore.

It was a bond of sympathy. We sat talking all that afternoon, and we have arranged to walk to the Pali together to-morrow afternoon. I shall wear socks. But then I shall be moving in the direction of Elsewhere, so that I shall be happy even if the talk to hot make me so.

Brava little man! I know that this adaptation was somewhat encouraged by dearth of cash. I have been there myself. I said that he regarded the wearing of socks. I did not think the object was to have

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CANTON CONFLICT.

SUN AND EX-PREMIER.

WU PEI-FU'S TROOPS RETREATING

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Canton, April 25.—It is reported that Dr. C. H. Wang, the ex-Premier, was favourably received by Dr. Sun Yat-sen. Dr. Sun is said to have pointed out to Dr. Wang, that being a Cantonese, his (Dr. Wang's) public services would reap more fruits if put to use in Kwangtung where the disturbed conditions were acute and that he would be welcomed in his native province. The ex-Premier is said to have replied that as he had accepted an international judicial appointment at the Hague, he had no option but to decline.

Authoritative advice has been received that the Northern troops despatched by Marshal Wu Pei-fu to aid Shun Hung-ying's defeated Kwangsi-ites, have come to the conclusion that the situation is too far gone to retrieve and are moving towards the Kiangsi-Hunan border without fighting.

SUN'S MONEY TROUBLES.

CANTON, April 24.—No further reports of fighting on any scale have been received and it seems as if the Kwangsi element has been defeated all along the line. If Shun's men, with assistance from Wu Pei-fu, were capable of offering resistance they would have done so by now. The latest advice is to the effect that Shun is moving towards Nan Hung, the town on the important caravan route to the north.

In spite of the prestige created by the victories, Sun's adherents are hard pressed for money. Several schemes are in the air to raise urgent funds but the people do not seem keen to comply with requests. One vernacular paper has already reported that the salt merchants have received instructions to pay some of the monopoly revenues in advance. To-day another mentions that the Finance Department has written to a large number of firms and shops requesting loans of \$1,000 from each. A rumour has also been freely circulated to effect that the authorities will impose a tax of one month's rent on all premises. The Yunnan troops are gradually taking over that part of the Yuen-Han Railway vacated by the Kwangsi-ites but there seems little possibility of their turning in the revenues as they will require the receipts, when the service is resumed, for their own upkeep.

Yang Hi-man convened a meeting of the leaders of the various denominations supporting Sun at which it was agreed that the campaign against the Kwangsi-ites should be pursued till the latter were driven out of Kwangtung, when Ying Tak, Shiu Kwan and Nan Hung would be specially garrisoned to prepare for any further hostilities with the Northerners.

AGRICULTURAL STATION ATTACK.

A story which has been related and credited in Canton, regarding the Kwangsi attack on the Agricultural Experimental Station, at that time the headquarters of Yang Hi-man, commander-in-chief of the Yunnanese troops in Kwangtung, goes to the effect that a picked detachment of Kwangsi-ites led by Li Yik-pui in person was detailed to attack a certain building in which Yang was supposed to have been staying. Yang is said to have received warning in the nick of time and to have escaped through the loyalty of some of his bodyguards.

About twelve of them, with their chief, are said to have seized a number of muskets and rushed through a side door, firing rapidly at the Kwangsi-ites. More than half of the guards are reported to have been killed but Yang escaped to Canton. Some of the Kwangsi-ites were shot down, this probably starting the rumour circulated at the beginning of the campaign, that Li Yik-pui had either been killed or wounded.

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CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

ARMS ON A JUNK.

The trial of five Chinese, charged with unlawful possession of arms aboard a junk, was continued at the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Gompertz) and a jury.

Yesterday afternoon Mr. F. C. Jenkin opened the case for the defence. Counsel described the case as an unusual one and asked the jury not to pay too much attention to the evidence of Sergt. Snare, who, he asserted, had deliberately tried to make a better case out of what was already a good one.

In outlining the case, Mr. Jenkin said that between 5 and 6 a.m. a man, accompanied by two coolies, came aboard and said he wanted three bags taken to a junk in the harbour. The bags were placed in the hold and the man who had brought them left the junk saying he would return later. The junk waited until 10 a.m., when a man came to engage it to remove 31 bags of feathers from the s.s. "Taiwan Maru." Very shortly after, the police boarded the boat.

The boat-woman stated that she thought the bags contained axes and hatchet-blades. She informed the Police Sergeant that she was taking the bags to the Water Police Station, her reason being that her mother had done so on a former occasion.

THIS MORNING'S EVIDENCE.

When the case was resumed this morning, the Court was crowded with boat-people who took a great interest in the proceedings. Mr. Jenkin called the second prisoner (a woman) who stated the lower hold was used as a kitchen. There would not be room in it for the two sacks in addition to the stoves and pans.

In reply to the prosecution, witness said if the furniture was removed, it would be possible to store the sacks. "When we had fetched the feathers from the Japanese ship, we should have stored the feathers in the lower hold. I have no camphor-wood box on my junk. All my boxes are kept in the stern hold."

The witness again asserted that it was her intention to take the two sacks of arms to the Water Police. "I did not know that the sacks contained arms. I put them in the hold until the owner came to claim them." The witness mentioned another bag, the contents of which eventually proved to be revolvers. The witness said she had been promised \$2.00 for removing the sacks, but the money had not yet been paid. She denied that any bag was open when the police found it. At the time the police arrived prisoner No. 4 was leading off the launch from the junk.

The third accused (also a woman) said she was making some tea, when the sacks were brought on board. She added that the previous witness had lifted up the boards and showed the bags to the police. She denied having thrown any sacks overboard, as alleged by the police-sergeant. One of the children, witness said, had accidentally knocked tin of tea overboard.

In cross-examination, she stated that there were two boat-hooks on board the junk. She denied that she had lifted a board, as stated by the engineer on the police launch.

By the Court.—The children on board are mine. The other accused are no relations of mine.

Chow Yao-po was called next for his defence. He is employed in a firm in Wenlock Street. His firm was expecting a cargo of feathers and the cargo runner was sent to make arrangements for the cargo being brought ashore.

The runner gave evidence as to how hardware is carried on junks. He was detained at the Water Police Station and later was sent for to the Central Station. This was a week after his arrest. He engaged the junk of accused No. 1, to go and fetch the feathers. He had engaged the same junk on three previous occasions last year. The case is proceeding.

MURDER TRIAL.

ACCUSED MAN'S DENIAL.

Before His Honour, the Chief Justice (Sir William Rees-Davies), the murder trial, in which Wu Kwong-chow is charged, was continued this morning. The case had not been concluded when this edition went to press.

In a statement from the dock, accused, acknowledged that he had gone to the house on the day of the murder with the intention of assisting in a robbery. He denied having fired any shot with a revolver, stating that he was not present in the house when any shots were fired.

The case against Lam Chuen, who is charged with having aided Wu Kwong-chow in the robbery and murder, will be heard tomorrow morning.

CHINA COAST.

LATEST SHIPPING CHANGES.

Captain E. M. Gellie, of the "Liangchow," is on reserve. Captain A. R. McClellan, from reserve, has gone master, "Nanning."

Mr. G. E. Fisher, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Nanning." Mr. W. A. Orwin has been appointed second officer, "Nanning."

Mr. G. L. Crampton, from reserve, has gone second engineer, "Tatung."

Mr. J. Said, third engineer, "Shang," is on reserve.

Mr. J. Gordon, from reserve, has gone third engineer, "Shang."

Mr. G. Henderson, third engineer, "Chungking," is on reserve.

Mr. W. G. Ramsay, from reserve, has gone supply chief engineer, "Liangchow."

Mr. W. Sharp, from reserve, has gone supply second engineer, "Liangchow."

Mr. A. McPherson, third engineer, "Shengking," is on reserve.

Mr. W. Ryden, chief officer, "Kwongsang," has gone acting master, "Eang."

Captain J. F. Xicoll, of the "Eang," is on reserve.

Mr. A. Woodley, second officer, "Hopsang," has gone acting chief officer, "Kwongsang."

Captain J. Campbell, of the "Hopsang," is on reserve.

Mr. R. C. Thompson, chief officer, "Hopsang," has gone acting master, same ship.

Mr. A. J. N. Wood, second officer, "Kungwo," has gone acting chief officer, "Hopsang."

Mr. R. Thomson, from leave, has gone second engineer, "Tungwo."

Mr. F. Dunstan, second engineer, "Loongwo," is on reserve.

Captain W. R. Wallace, of the "Hsinming," is on reserve.

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CANADIAN SEAMAN'S DEATH.

An inquest was held by Mr. A. Covey, H.M. Acting Coroner, at the Shanghai Mortuary last week, on the body of a man believed to be William Payne, member of the crew of the ship "Canadian Inventor," who was last seen on his ship on January 18 last. A verdict of found drowned was returned.

Inspector Mellows, of the River police, stated that on January 22 a man was reported missing from the "Canadian Inventor." His name was given as William Payne, who was last seen on board, on the 18th of that month. He was described as having one leg shorter than the other, dressed at the time in engine room overalls. On Wednesday morning a constable in the River Police saw the body at Holt's Wharf. Thinking it to be that of a Chinese, the body was handed over to the Chinese authorities.

They, however, discovered a document on deceased which proved to be a man called Payne from the steamer "Monteagle," dated November 1, 1922. The paper showed that he was signed on September 21, 1922, at Victoria, B.C. The year of birth was stated to be 1882. There were no marks of violence.

The Coroner said it was impossible to come to the decision as to how the deceased had met his death, so the verdict, as stated, would be found drowned.

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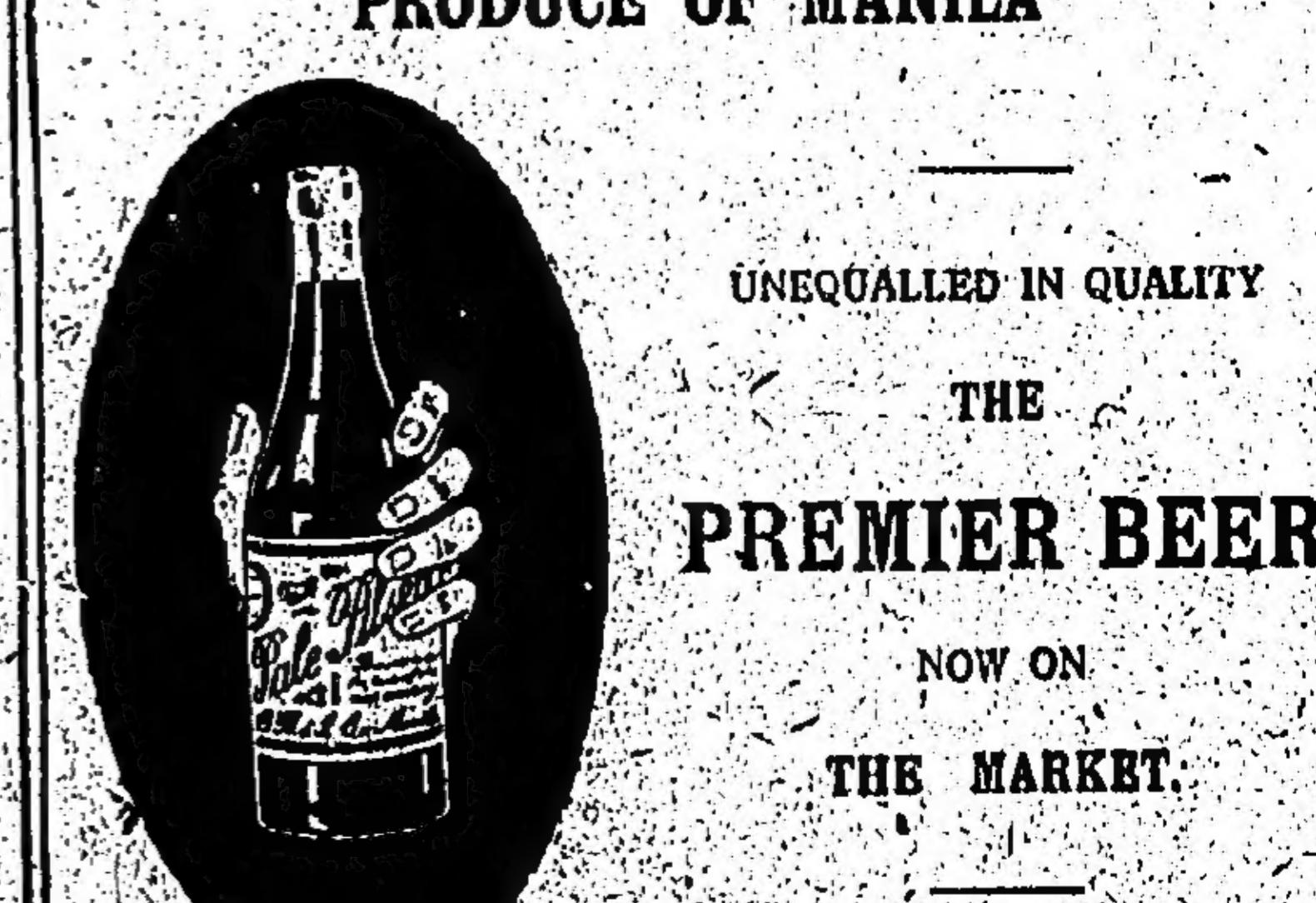
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HONGKONG.

SHIPPING.

HUGE DOCK.

LARGEST OF ITS KIND IN THE WORLD.

Within the next few months Southampton will be in a position to dry dock the largest vessel afloat.

A large floating dock is built for the purpose on the Tyne by Messrs. Armstrong, Whitworth, and Co. It is being constructed in two sections, and in June they will be towed to Southampton, where they will be coupled up. The dock will be the largest of its kind in the world. Its overall length will be 600 feet, its clear width of entrance 134 feet, and the draught of water over keel-blocks 38 feet.

It will be capable of accom-

modating vessels of 60,000 tons

displacement and, of course, will

be able to deal with the "Majestic,"

which at present can be dry-docked

only in Germany or America.

16,000 TONS OF STEEL.

An idea of the magnitude of this

vast structure will be obtained from

the fact that it will cover an area of

3/4 acres, and that there will be

16,000 tons of steel in its hull.

The weight of the rivets alone will

be about 800 tons. They will

number 4,000,000.

The height of the deck from the

bottom of the pontoon to the top

of the side walls will be over

70 feet. The dock is U-shaped

structure, which can be sunk to any

desired depth by admitting water

into the interior. When the dock

is thus sunk the vessel to be docked

is hauled on to the pontoon, or

the horizontal portion of the U. On

the water being pumped out the

dock rises, carrying the vessel

with it, until the pontoon deck is

completely out of the water.

When lifting a vessel of the size

of the "Majestic" about 80,000 tons

of water will have to be pumped out of the dock. To effect this there are

fourteen centrifugal pumps, which

will accomplish their task in four

hours.

The floating dock will be con-

nected to the shore by means of

four mooring booms, each 110 feet

long, attached at the shore end to

four reinforced concrete dolphins.

As one of the dolphins will have a

bridge to the shore, there will be

access to the dock at all times.

Nearly 1,000,000 cubic yards of

soil will be dredged to provide a

berth for the drydock near one of

the existing quays. This work is

being performed with the utmost

expedition.

Notwithstanding the present

depression in the shipbuilding

industry, Belfast is forging ahead

in the building of big ships;

indeed no port in the British Isles,

or, in fact, in the world, can show

a fleet of high-class passenger

liners of large dimensions such as

is at present in the hands of

Messrs. Harland and Wolff on the

river Lagan.

In the latter half of last month

this firm was to deliver from their

Belfast yards upwards of fifty

thousand tons of shipping, viz., the

Red Star liner "Belgenland," the

Holland America line "Veenam,"

and the Pacific Steam Navigation

liner "Oroya."

At the present time there are no

fewer than eleven ships of twelve

thousand tons and upwards on

hand in the port, ten of which are

at Queen's Island and one at

Messrs. Workman Clark & Co.

Since the beginning of the year

four keels have been laid down or

had berths allotted for them

at the Queen's Island and two at

Messrs. Workman Clark & Co.

No orders have been reported in

the last few weeks, but important

negotiations are understood to be

going on with various owners.

NEW YORK-AUSTRALIAN

TRADE.

REDUCTIONS IN FREIGHT RATES.

Steamship lines operating in the

New York-Australia trade have an-

nounced a number of reductions in

freight rates, states a New York

newspaper.

The rates include first-class

general cargo now \$24 a ton, weight

measurement, against \$25, and

second-class general cargo \$18 as

against \$20. Newsprint paper \$14.50

INTERPORT CRICKET.

HONGKONG TEAM COMPLETED.

The team to represent Hongkong at cricket against Shanghai has now been completed by the inclusion of—

Captain E. R. S. Dods (Infantry), H. H. Balthetchet (University), 12th man.

SPORT.

LAWN TENNIS.

HONGKONG LAWN TENNIS ASSOCIATION.

TENNIS LEAGUE "A" DIVISION.

In the "A" Division owing to various other attractions only one game was played, that between Civil Service and the Chinese Recreation Club, the latter winning by 68-31.

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1 Point for a win.

"B" DIVISION.

In the "B" Division:—

Queen's College beat Civil Service.

Kowloon "A" beat Cringewower "B."

Chinese Recreation Club beat Cringewower "A."

Indian Recreation Club beat Kowloon "B."

P. W. L. P.	Queen's College	1 1 0 1	C.R.C.	1 1 0 1	I.R.C.	1 1 0 1	Kowloon "A"	1 1 0 1	Cringewower "A"	1 0 1 0	Cringewower "B"	1 0 1 0	Civil Service	1 0 1 0	Kowloon "B"	1 0 1 0	University	0 0 0 0	Club de Recreio	0 0 0 0	Netherlands T.C.	0 0 0 0
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FOOTBALL.

SATURDAY'S CHARITY GAME.

The following team will represent the Club in a Charity game with South China on Saturday on the Club ground at 5 p.m.:—McPhail; Wheeler and Bishop; Morrison, J. Stewart and Pascoe; Clemo, Forsyth, Lieut. Jones, W. Stewart and Begg.

GOLF.

RESULT OF BOGEY POOL COMPETITION.

The Bogeys Pool Competition, played at Faulon on April 21, 22 and 23, was won by W. Gallaway, 21 up.

OBITUARY.

MASTER ERNEST AUCOTT.

The friends of Mr. E. F. Aucott, of Messrs. Jardine Matheson and Company, Limited, and Mrs. Aucott will learn with regret that news has reached here by cable of the death at Vancouver on April 17, of their elder son who had been an invalid practically from birth.

Mr. Aucott took his wife and two sons across to live in Vancouver a couple of years ago and arrived there again on leave about a week after his son's death. To him and to Mrs. Aucott deep sympathy will be extended in their bereavement.

PASSENGERS.

DEPARTURES.

For P. & O. s.s. "Nevada" on April 25—Mr and Mrs Reinhardt, Mr Rudolph and Mrs J. S. Findlay, Col. and Mrs A. H. Watson, Mr E. Powell, Mr Chan Boi Wu, Mr San Sui, Mrs Smith, Mr W. Harrold, Mr J. Carroll, Miss Reinhardt, Mrs Willice, Mrs L. A. Thomas, Lieut. A. W. Gush, Messrs W. Cozey, Silson, Galston, Alers, W. H. Widley, Davis, Mr and Mrs Woot, Mr and Mrs C. V. Foulke, Messrs F. Falk, Sergeant C. B. Clark, H. O. K. Wheeler, J. H. Pearce and J. Scott.

The Queen in mail week visited the ex-Service Women's Club, Buckingham-gate, and was given a great reception by the members. During her tour of the premises her Majesty was enrolled a member of the club, signing the register "Mary R."

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Vasco L. dos Remedios and family will learn with regret of the death of a member of the family, Miss Sara Augusta Remedios. The young woman had been ailing for some years, and for a long time had been confined to her room. She was 25 years old.

CHINA'S DEBTS.

GOVERNMENT IN DEEP WATER.

Peking, April 24.

The Government's efforts to secure an advance of \$12,000,000 from the Consortium have ended in failure.

The Government is now in more dire straits financially than ever before.

The Chinese bankers, who are hesitating to make petty loans to the Government, are awaiting the decisions of the bankers' conference at Hankow.

The Japanese telephone loan to China of Yen 16,000,000 plus back interest, all of which is due on April 24, and the Japanese telegraph loan of Yen 20,000,000 plus interest, are due on April 30.

China has no money to pay these debts, and, therefore, the Japanese, according to their contracts, have the right to take over complete control of the telephone and telegraph systems.

In addition to the above, a further loan of \$10,000,000, known as the telegraph extension loan, is falling due now.

It is understood that the Japanese do not intend to exercise their right to take over these systems at present, but it is obvious that the Government must take drastic measures to meet these and other debts.

Millions are needed for administrative purposes. For instance, nothing has yet been paid to the Legations and Consulates in Europe, in spite of their recent protest. Courtesy *Daily Bulletin*.

ORIENTAL COTTON SPINNING CO.

HONGKONG OPPPOSITION SUCCEEDS.

SHANGHAI, April 24.

At the extraordinary meeting of the Oriental Cotton Spinning Company, yesterday, a resolution was passed regarding the increase of capital: that 264,000 unissued ordinary shares be offered at a premium of Tls. 2 to shareholders in the proportion of six new shares for every five held.

The resolution is an amended form, decided in agreement with the Hongkong shareholders, of the resolution proposed at the annual general meeting, which was opposed by the Hongkong shareholders. Courtesy *Daily Bulletin*.

LIU EN-YUAN IMPEACHED.

PEKING, April 24.

The member of Parliament Lo Chi-han has filed a Bill impeaching Liu En-yuan on the ground that he has ignored the resolution of the House of Representatives that he should submit a national Budget to the House. Courtesy *Daily Bulletin*.

LATEST SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVALS.

Taiyuan, (B. & S.) from Melbourne, Manila—Holt's Wharf, Glenamoy, (J.M. & Co.) from London, Singapore—K. Wharf, Gweneth, (Moller & Co.) from Bangkok—C21.

Van Overstraten, (J.C.J.L.) from Amoy—A25.

Hok Canton, (Hong On) from Kwong Chow Wan—Co's Wharf.

Cheongshing, (J.M. & Co.) from Canton—C3.

Haikow, (Douglas & Co.) from Foochow, Swatow—Co's Wharf.

Hydrangea, (Chin On) from Swatow—Co's Wharf.

Soochow, (B. & S.) from Shanghai—B12.

Taito Maru, (N.Y.K.) from Shanghai, Amoy—Off Stonecutters.

Mishima Maru, (N.Y.K.) from Yokohama, Shanghai—K. Wharf.

Prominent (Fok Tai Cheong) from Canton—C17.

Song Bo, (Lapique & Co.) from Canton—Off Stonecutters.

DEPARTURES.

President Wilson, (Pacific Mail) for San Francisco, Shanghai—April 25.

Yue Ying Wa, (Cheong Fat) for Swatow—April 25.

Sungshan Maru, (N.Y.K.) for Shanghai, Swatow—April 25.

Glenamoy, (J.M. & Co.) for Yokohama, Shanghai—April 25.

Taihsun, (C.M.S.N.) for Shanghai—April 25.

Cheribon Maru, (Nanyo Y.K.) for Sambava, Macao—April 25.

Kwanglee, (C.M.S.N.) for Canton—April 25.

Haldas, (Wo Fat Sing) for Saigon—April 25.

Mishima Maru, (N.Y.K.) for London, Singapore—April 25.

Bintang, (J. Manners & Co.) for Bintangor, Swatow—April 25.

Fooshing, (J. M. & Co.) for Bangkok, Swatow—April 25.

COUNT MOLTKE.

DEATH RECALLS GREAT SCANDAL.

Count Cuno Moltke, whose death is announced, was one of the central figures of the great Court scandal which in 1907 shook German society to its foundations, and drove the ex-Kaiser to seek refuge for some weeks in England. Count Moltke was at that time aide to the Emperor and Military Governor of Berlin. The scandal was brought to light by a series of *Zukun* articles, in which Maximilian Harden stated that the Kaiser was hedged in by a small circle of sycophants of abnormal temperaments and perverse propensities, who, by ministering to his insatiable appetite for adulteration, had got him completely into their power, and were thus exercising a very injurious influence on German policy. Among those mentioned by name were Prince Eulenburg, who had been Ambassador at Vienna, and Count Moltke. Dismissals from high offices and withdrawals of social favour were then the signal for a long series of sordid lawsuits and prosecutions which for the first time revealed to the world the pitiful and contemptible realities lying behind the Emperor's heroic poses.

It was impossible for the persons implicated to sit still under the charges made against them, and with great circumspection, they put forward Count Moltke to fight their battle. He was, apparently, the least offensive of the whole gang, and had innocently allowed himself to be made the instrument of others' schemes and intrigues. The Chief of the Police Department concerned with the affair has recently stated in a book of reminiscences that Count Moltke's peculiar idiosyncrasy never found expression in actions inconsistent with the law. Though a general and Governor, he really cared nothing for either military matters or politics. All his interests were in the spheres of art. It was, no doubt, for the reason that he could face legal cross-examination with a comparatively clear conscience that the men who had been using him to maintain their influence on the Kaiser pushed him into the foreground as their champion.

Count Moltke's first idea was to wipe his reputation clean by a duel, but his challenge was declined by Harden. There was, consequently, nothing for it but a libel action. Through one vicissitude or another the proceedings dragged on endlessly, till at last a sudden and unexpected development gave them a turn in a new direction. Two Justices who had acted as bartenders to Prince Eulenburg on a lake in Bavaria gave evidence in flat conflict with that of the Prince, and thus brought down on him a prosecution for perjury. No sooner however had his trial been begun than he either became ill or simulated sickness with such success as to deceive the doctors attached to the court. But the public was suspicious that the Kaiser's favourite was being let down easily, and raised so loud a clamour that it was only after the Prince had more than once been brought into court in his bed that the trial was indefinitely postponed. Till his death, which took place since the war, the Prince lived quietly on the estate to the north of Berlin where he had so often entertained William II.

Speaking at the Institute of Hygiene, Sir George Lenthal Cheale, the naval surgeon, deprecated the use of soap, face powders, colouring matter and creams, bath salts, and, in fact, everything that is scented, as conducive to cancer through irritation of the skin.

Powders and soaps were especially dangerous as being apt to make their way into the glands of the skin and then set up trouble which might ultimately become cancer. There was a great opportunity for an inventor who could discover some substitute for soap, for though personal cleanliness was of course essential the perpetual application of soap should be discouraged. The smoke from cigarettes he also characterised as harmful to the skin, advising the use of long holders.

A NEW METHOD.

A guest at a country hotel gave instructions one night that he wished to be called early.

The next morning he was disturbed by a loud tattoo upon the door.

"Well?" he demanded sharply.

"I've got a message for you, sir."

Yawning until he strained his face, the guest jumped out of bed and unlocked the door.

The page boy handed him an envelope and then went away quickly. The guest opened the envelope, and took out a slip of paper bearing the words, "It's time to get up."

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS AND PASSENGERS.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.

CHINA COAST, ETC.

SWATOW.

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Heiress engaged to Charles A. Rheault, former member of Canada's Royal Mounted Police, now a salesman. For eight years the romance was sped by mail alone, starting when Miss Bradley was with the Grenfell Mission among the inhabitants of S. Anthony's, Labrador. Miss Bradley has been a missionary, Red Cross nurse and social service worker.



New Governor of Porto Rico.



Only twenty-four has been made mayor of his native town.



Harvey S. Firestone.



Mrs. Alfred Hitz, Mrs. B. Wiener & Alfred Hitz.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hitz, who married on board an Atlantic liner are shown standing behind the honeymoon flag that was hastily made by Mrs. B. Wiener, stewardess. The flag was presented to the couple when they reached port.

Harvey S. Firestone, head of the Firestone Tire & Rubber Company, is trying to form an American rubber combine to operate rubber plantations in Latin America and the Philippines.



Following a quarrel between the two on a street car, Caraway swashed his umbrella on Wallerstein's shoulders. Wallerstein claims he brushed Caraway accidentally. Caraway alleges Wallerstein kept pulling the Senator's hat over his face.



When her boy little was given a box of modelling clay to play with, Mrs. Nielsen discovered her talent for sculpture. She is now fast winning fame.



Earl and Countess of Granard.

Castle Forbes, the beautiful Irish home of the Earl and Countess of Granard, has been destroyed by fire. The Earl is a member of the Free State Senate. One of the wealthiest Irish peers, he married Miss Beatrice Mills, in 1909. He has been mentioned as a possible Governor-General of the Irish Free State, if Mr. Timothy Healy should retire.



"Sandy," the little son of Lady Patricia Ramsey (formerly Princess Victoria Helen Elizabeth, "Princess Pat," daughter of the Duke of Connaught), helps the London "Bobby" to open the massive iron gates at Buckingham Palace for the return of the King and Queen from the opening of Parliament.



Frederick Schneider, the wealthy contractor, who was mysteriously shot dead as he sat at the wheel of his motor car, was about to effect a reconciliation with his wife, Mrs. Minnie Schneider, whom he had deserted to live with Mrs. Anna Buzzi. Schneider was named as co-respondent when Mrs. Buzzi's husband obtained a divorce from her. An unidentified woman was seen hurrying away from the car after the shots were heard.

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MRS. JIGGS: I UNDERSTAND YOU GOT A ANTIQUE SEDAN CHAIR!

IT WAS SENT ON APPROVAL. I DON'T LIKE IT.

NO CHANCE OF ME GITTIN OUT WHILE MAGGIE IS STANDIN AT THE FRONT DOOR!

IT'S A DARLING.

I BOUGHT ONE IN EUROPE, LIKE IT. I'M SENDING THIS BACK. THE MEN ARE HERE FOR IT NOW.

BE CAREFUL NOT TO SCRATCH THE WALL.

GEE, THIS IS HEAVY. YOU SHOULD HAVE SENT FOR SAFE MOVERS.

TAKE ME TO QINTY MOORE'S FIRST.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE BRITISH BUDGET.

LONDON, April 23rd.
The Budget resolutions were agreed on after the rejection of an amendment to reduce the Income Tax.

SHAKESPEARE'S BIRTHDAY.

LONDON, April 23rd.
A message from President Harding, read at a meeting of the Governors of the Shakespeare Memorial on the occasion of the celebrations in honour of Shakespeare's birthday at Stratford-on-Avon, said: "The American people are always sympathetic with every appreciation of the works of the immortal bard, constituting part of the magnificent joint heritage of the British and American peoples, and one of the ties which have so long bound them by a community of aspiration and earnest purpose on behalf of the highest interests of humanity."

HINDU-MOSLEM DIFFERENCES.

AMRITSAR, April 23rd.
The Congress leaders' effort to reconcile Hindu and Moslem differences have been abortive here, as the Lahore communal boycott tension continues.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

GENEVA, April 23rd.
The Dutch physician, Lorenz, succeeds Professor Einstein on the League of Nations Intellectual Co-operation Commission.

DENMARK AND RUSSIA.

COPENHAGEN, April 23rd.
A provisional agreement signed at Moscow between Denmark and the Soviets, establishes *de facto* relations. The Danes are entitled to engage in industrial undertakings in Russia, and are guaranteed against seizure of property without full compensation.

THE INDIAN FRONTIER OUTRAGE.

PESHAWAR, April 23rd.
The release of Miss Ellis has not yet been effected, for though she has been rescued from the clutches of her captors she is still in the heart of the Tirth country, and there is a possibility of their offering further opposition.

SOUNDS.

DO THEY INTEREST YOU?

I have always made a quaint, though not very profound, study of sounds, writes James Hilton in *The Star*. Some people insult a sound by calling it a noise, but this to my mind is more prejudice. You can say a certain sound is pleasing or displeasing, just as you can say the same of a picture or a novel, but to say, "Oh, it's just a noise!" is begging the question. Personally I like the majority of sounds. And if somebody asked me to walk a mile to hear a new sort of one, I would do so and take the risk of not liking it.

By sounds I mean very simply everything that sounds.

High in my list of sounds that are exquisitely beautiful I put the sound of a London tram (only a London tram) as you sit snugly in the corner of the rear alcove on the top deck and are carried swiftly into the fastnesses of some remote suburb.

The trolley-wheel pings along the overhead wire, and every time it crosses the thing-me-jig that holds it to the wire that connects the standards (you know what I mean) it makes a beautiful little executive sound that is for all the world like a kiss.

But I must tell the story of a wonderful sound I once heard. I was walking on the road from Twickenham to Hounslow.

ANOTHER WORLD SYMPHONY.

It was a dull, glowering winter's afternoon, heavy with mist, and suddenly there came into the gloom of it a most ominous distant murmur, something that reminded me vaguely of the surf breaking upon a sunlit beach, something that, as I walked on and as it grew less faint, seemed to pour floods of strange brilliance into the dreary world. Then all at once I turned a corner, and it was on me in a tide. It was like some wild, fierce symphony of another world, full of gorgeous, intricate confusion—a mighty, passionate riot, wherein a hundred melodies seethed in one stormy cauldron of discord. I listened for several moments, standing still in the roadway. The power of it seemed endless, uniform, infinite.

Then I walked on and discovered what it was. It was Kneller Hall, and in every window of the huge building I could see the figure of an Army bandmaster, practising the difficult bits over and over again, no doubt, until he was perfect in them.

I had tea in a little cottage close by, and the woman there told me the noise was something awful during the afternoon practice hours—didn't I think so?

A Parent's Duty.

Your boy is always getting scratched or cut or bruised. Because these wounds have caused a slight infection, they always will. Get a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain-Relief and tea that every injury is cared for immediately. You can get nothing better, and blood poison is too dangerous a disease to risk. Get tea by all Chemists and Druggists.

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS AND PASSENGERS.

Vessel: U.S. DUE.

FROM: NORTH CHINA.

Apr. 26.—J.C.J.L. Tiharou.

FROM: JAPAN.

May 7.—J.C.J.L. Tihkin.

FROM: CALCUTTA.

May 8.—N.Y.K. Yamagata Maru.

6.—N.Y.K. Utsuka Maru.

FROM: BOMBAY.

May 14.—N.Y.K. Sado Maru.

Kamakura Maru.

FROM: MANILA.

Apr. 29.—U.S.S.B. West Faralon.

May 15.—U.S.S.R. Murra.

FROM: SINGAPORE.

Apr. 29.—U.S.S.B. West Faralon.

May 15.—U.S.S.R. Murra.

FROM: SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

May 7.—E. & A. Eastern.

Changsha.

Aurora.

FROM: NEW YORK.

May 2.—T. I. O. Norboro.

Elijah Allen.

FROM: VANCOUVER.

May 17.—C.P.E. Empress of Asia.

Achilles.

Talitha.

Tyndareus.

Proteus.

Achilles.

Philotetes.

FROM: PORTLAND.

May 10.—U.S.S.E. Pawlet.

FROM: SEATTLE.

May 17.—S. F. Achilles.

Tyndareus.

Proteus.

Achilles.

Philote.

FROM: LOS ANGELES.

Apr. 27.—U.S.S.R. Elkridge.

May 16.—U.S.S.E. West Chopaka.

FROM: SAN FRANCISCO.

Apr. 27.—U.S.S.R. Elkridge.

May 15.—U.S.S.E. West Chopaka.

FROM: EUROPEAN PORTS.

Apr. 28.—N.L. Verra.

May 8.—H.E.A.L. Ondorkerk.

June 10.—H.E.A.L. Ondorkerk.

July 3.—H.E.A.L. Zosma.

FROM: LONDON.

May 5.—P. & O. Novara.

6.—G. L. Glengapp.

Sardinia.

Soudan.

Delta.

Gleannary.

Devanha.

Gleann.

Malva.

Necilia.

Kihva.

Soudan.

Kesdum.

Macedonia.

Makond.

Mactua.

Karmala.

Kalyan.

FROM: HAMBURG.

Apr. 30.—B. B. Adolf von Bayer.

May 10.—N.Y.K. Taisan Maru.

FROM: COPENHAGEN.

May 8.—E. A. Malaya.

10.—E. A. Panama.

July 10.—E. A. Bolivia.

Aug. 25.—E. A. Australien.

Aug. 25.—E. A. Java.

THE WATER SUPPLY.

Level and Storage of Water in Reservoirs in the 1st April 1923.

CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS

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BUSINESS DIRECTORY

Banks
the Bank of Canton, Ltd.,
Des Voeux Road Central.

China Specie Bank, Ltd.,
6, Duddell Street.

Chinese Merchants' Bank, Ltd.,
Alexandra Bridge, Chater Road

Building Contractors
Wing On & Co.,
Building Contractors,
34, D'Aguilar Street. Tel. Cen. 1597

Coal Merchants
Talau Mining Admin. (c/o Dodwell & Co.,
Ltd.), Colliery & Steamship Owners.
Bituminous Coal, Coke, Firebricks.

Kimura & Co.,
2, Connaught Road Central.

Sweng Hang & Co., Coal Merchants
6 Des Voeux Rd. Tel. Cen. 2738

Tatau & Co., 5 Queen's Road Central,
Merchants, Coal Contractors and
Shipping Agents—Phone Con. 1843.

Cotton-Yarn Importers
Seiko Kabushiki Kaisha,
Importers, Cotton Yarn & Piece
Goods; No. 7, Mercantile Bank
Building, Tel. Con. 2774 and 2808

Curio Dealers
Lek Hing, Chinese Curios & Silver Ware

Dentist
Harry Fong, Dentist,
1st floor, No. 74, Queen's Road
Central, Tel. Central No. 1255.

Electrical Suppliers
Jan Hing Co., Electro platers and
Electrical Contractors also Typewriter
Repairs, 10 Pottinger St. Tel. Cen. 3550

Engineers & Shipbuilders
W. B. Bailey & Co., Ltd.,
Engineers & Shipbuilders,
Kowloon Bay
New Work & Repairs
Call Flag "L."

Farm Merchants
4, Ling & Co., Glass Merchants,
Furniture, Mirrors and Canton Marble
Manufacturers, Electro-plated, Glass
and Crockery, Wares and Photo
Supplies, 18, Queen's Road Central,
Tel. Central No. 1216.

Hotels
Palace Hotel, Kowloon—Corner of
Haiphong and Hankow Roads. Few
minutes from ferry.

Importers & Exporters
Ces Bros. & Co., Importers and
Exporters and Commission Agents,
Des Voeux Road.

Kwong Yuen & Co., 18 Queen's Road
Central, Ko Chi Chung (Manager),
Kwong King Hin (Ass't). Tel. Cen. 3192.

Masuda Trading Co.
Importers and Exporters,
NIKKO—Japanese fine art curios,
33 Queen's Road Cen. Tel. Cen. 1159

Nam Hing Loong
97-99 Queen's Road Central,
General Storekeepers, Wine & Cigar
Merchants, General Importers,
Exporters of Chinese Produce.
Tel. Central 331.

Patell & Co., P. O. Box 316

Land & Estate Agents
an Vick Cho, Land & Estate agents
Tel. Central 911-1967.
36, Queen's Road Central.

Leather Goods
Van Kang Suitcases Co.,
Set makers of Leather Suitcases,
Hand Bags, Purse, Belts, etc.
Pottinger St., 26 Queen's Rd. Cen.
and 38 Hillier St.

Fo Hing, 224 Des Voeux Road. Manu-
facturers of Leather Suitcases, Hand
bags, Trunks etc.

MERCHANTS
Asia Commercial & Development Co.,
China Bank Buildings (3rd floor) Tel. 3609

Gibbs, J & Co., Alexandra Building.

Millinery
Madame Lily,—Alexandra Building.
Latest models and creations from
Paris in Frocks and Millinery.
"The Centre of Fashion."

Miners
China Commercial Co., Ltd.
Miners, Importers and Exporters
64-66 Queen's Road Cen. Tel. Cen. 2802.

Modistes
Madame Flint,
21 Queen's Road Cen. Tel. Cen. 389.
(Latest Parisian in fads)

Optician
The Hongkong Optical Co., Phanu Street,
23 Queen's Road Central.

Opticians
Tel. Con. 1525. 18, Queen's Rd. Central.

Photographers

Meo Cheung, Photographer,
25, Ice House Street,
7 Beaconsfield Arches (Branch).
Developing & Printing undertaken.

Printers

The "China Mail," General Printers,
Publishers and Bookbinders,
5, Wyndham Street. Tel. Cen. 22.

Scales

Mustard & Co., Connaught Road Cen.

Ship Chandlers

Ohung Fook, 78 Connaught Rd. Cen.
First floor, Tel. Central 623.
Shipchandler, Stevedores and
Compradores.

Wang Kee & Co., Shipchandlers,
Compradores, Stevedores & Coal
Merchants. Ba. Art & Pilot supply.
No. 31 & 37, Connaught Road, Tel.
Central No. 946.

Shipowners

Man Wing S. S. Co., Ltd.,
38 Bonham Strand West. Tel. Cen. 1710.
Regular Freight Service
Hongkong and Haiphong via Hoihow
a. "Haiyan."

Thai Thuan S. S. Co., Ltd.,
147 Wing Lok Street, East. Tel. Cen. 93
s. "Dorwert" s. "Borbon"
between Hongkong and Saigon

Shoemakers

Jam Kee, Dealer in Sewing Machines
and Accessories, Boot & Shoe Master,
7 Pottinger Street.

Silk Stores

D. Chollaran—Royal Silk Store,
38 Queen's Road Central. Satin
Crepe de Chine, Georgette and
Brocade Silks.

Pohocomull Bros., 38, Queen's Rd. Cen.

Tailors

Hongkong Tailoring Co.,
Ladies' and Gent's Tailors,
10, D'Aguilar Street. New Materials
of all descriptions. Tel. Cen. 3830.

Ah Young, Tailor, Drapers & Out-
fitters, Hat & Clothing, Suits made
to order. No. 74, Queen's Road
Central, Tel. Central No. 2830.

Sing Cheong,
Ladies' and Gentlemen's Tailor,
24, Wyndham Street, 2nd floor.

Tobaccos, Cigarettes

British American Tobacco Co.
(China), Ltd. 10-19 Connaught Road.

Typewriters, Etc.

Mustard & Co., Connaught Road Cen.

Wine & Spirit Merchants

Kwan Tye, General Storekeepers,
Wine & Spirit Merchant.
No. 102, Queen's Road Central

**FARES FOR PUBLIC
VEHICLES.**

The fare prescribed for public vehicles
are as follows:—

1.—In the Island of Hongkong, Cains
Road and Lower Levels, and in
Kowloon, and New Kowloon.

2.—In the Kowloon Tram, to be engaged
within the City of Victoria, and be dis-
charged outside the Western part of the
City of Victoria after 9 p.m. or be dis-
charged to the East of Fay View Police
Station on the Eastern side of the City
of Victoria after 9 p.m., an extra half
shall be chargeable.

For 2 or 3 drivers the fare is double or
treble respectively.

3.—In the Hill District.

Ten minutes, 10 cents.
Quarter hour, 15 cents.

Half hour, 20 cents.

One hour, 30 cents.

Subsequent hour, 30 cents.

If the jinrikisha be engaged
within the City of Victoria, and be dis-
charged outside the Western part of the
City of Victoria after 9 p.m. or be dis-
charged to the East of Fay View Police
Station on the Eastern side of the City
of Victoria after 9 p.m., an extra half
shall be chargeable.

For 2 or 3 drivers the fare is double or
treble respectively.

4.—In the Hill District.

With 2 hours with 1 hour.

Ten minutes, 10 cents.

Quarter hour, 15 cents.

Half hour, 20 cents.

One hour, 30 cents.

Every subsequent
hour, 40 cents.

5.—In the Hill District.

With 2 hours with 1 hour.

Ten minutes, 10 cents.

Quarter hour, 15 cents.

Half hour, 20 cents.

One hour, 30 cents.

Every subsequent
hour, 40 cents.

6.—In the Hill District.

With 2 hours with 1 hour.

Ten minutes, 10 cents.

Quarter hour, 15 cents.

Half hour, 20 cents.

One hour, 30 cents.

Every subsequent
hour, 40 cents.

7.—In the Hill District.

With 2 hours with 1 hour.

Ten minutes, 10 cents.

Quarter hour, 15 cents.

Half hour, 20 cents.

One hour, 30 cents.

Every subsequent
hour, 40 cents.

8.—In the Hill District.

With 2 hours with 1 hour.

Ten minutes, 10 cents.

Quarter hour, 15 cents.

Half hour, 20 cents.

One hour, 30 cents.

Every subsequent
hour, 40 cents.

9.—In the Hill District.

With 2 hours with 1 hour.

Ten minutes, 10 cents.

Quarter hour, 15 cents.

Half hour, 20 cents.

One hour, 30 cents.

Every subsequent
hour, 40 cents.

10.—In the Hill District.

With 2 hours with 1 hour.

Ten minutes, 10 cents.

Quarter hour, 15 cents.

Half hour, 20 cents.

One hour, 30 cents.

Every subsequent
hour, 40 cents.

11.—In the Hill District.

With 2 hours with 1 hour.

Ten minutes, 10 cents.

Quarter hour, 15 cents.

Half hour, 20 cents.

One hour, 30 cents.

Every subsequent
hour, 40 cents.

12.—In the Hill District.

With 2 hours with 1 hour.

Ten minutes, 10 cents.

Quarter hour, 15 cents.

Half hour, 20 cents.

One hour, 30 cents.

Every subsequent
hour, 40 cents.

13.—In the Hill District.

With 2 hours with 1 hour.

Ten minutes, 10 cents.

Quarter hour, 15 cents.

Half hour, 20 cents.

One hour, 30 cents.

Every subsequent
hour, 40 cents.

14.—In the Hill District.

With 2 hours with 1 hour.

Ten minutes, 10 cents.

Quarter hour, 15 cents.

Half hour, 20 cents.

One hour, 30 cents.